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Sent: 3/21/2017 4:01:45 PM
To: Travis, Sharon [travis.sharon@epa.gov]; Zolnierczyk, Kenneth [zolnierczyk.kenneth@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: FOIA #2017-004151 MADISON KIPP CORP

I think the next step is to get an extension from the requestor for our response, if we have not already. I'll defer to Ken on how long the collection review and production will take, but I suggest we ask until at least the end of April.

Then, LCD should to send a message out to all the persons who have worked on this matter and who may have federal records in this matter to preserve their records and begin to collect them and provide Ken with copies (electronic or otherwise). With regard to emails, my recollection is that folks who have email records should copy them into a separate Outlook folder, e.g. "Madison Kipp2017 FOIA Response," and then work with David Hoff to have them uploaded into one central database. Once in the database, the emails may be culled for duplicates and an index can be created for all of the withheld documents.

From: Travis, Sharon
Sent: Monday, March 20, 2017 10:16 AM
To: Zolnierczyk, Kenneth <zolnierczyk.kenneth@epa.gov>; Steketee, John <steketee.john@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: FOIA #2017-004151 MADISON KIPP CORP

The fee waiver was granted for the requester. What next?

From: Wheatley, Jessica
Sent: Monday, March 20, 2017 10:14 AM
To: Travis, Sharon <travis.sharon@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: FOIA #2017-004151 MADISON KIPP CORP

Yup. It was granted

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From: Travis, Sharon
Sent: Monday, March 20, 2017 9:52 AM
To: Wheatley, Jessica <wheatley.jessica@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: FOIA #2017-004151 MADISON KIPP CORP

Hi Jessica, am I understanding this above attached letter giving the requester a fee waiver. Please verify.

From: Maria Powell (MEJO) [<mailto:mariapowell@mejo.us>]
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2017 1:35 PM
To: Travis, Sharon <travis.sharon@epa.gov>
Cc: Group R5Foia <R5Foia@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: FOIA #2017-004151 MADISON KIPP CORP

Hello Sharon:

Thanks for the update--but I'm confused. On March 2, 2017 I received notification that our request for a fee waiver was granted. The letter attached to that email is attached. Is EPA retracting the fee waiver?

We are aware of the documents on the DNR BRRTS website. Unfortunately, very little has been posted there recently about the PCB situation at the site. If you go to the link set up for this issue, nothing is there: <http://dnr.wi.gov/botw/GetActivityDetail.do?adn=0213578014&siteId=564900&crumb=1&search=b>. There are some documents elsewhere but they are old.

The neighborhood around Kipp has been largely in the dark since 2012 (but especially in the last couple years) about the PCB situation under the factory and how it is being addressed--even people who live just 50-100 feet from the site.

Because the lawsuit filed by the WI DOJ against Kipp in 2012 has not been resolved yet, any records related to that are also withheld. Are the records I'm requesting from EPA sensitive because of this case, or is there another EPA enforcement case? Can you please clarify?

Also, can you please give an estimate for when enforcement cases will be resolved and records will be publicly available?

Thanks,
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On 3/16/2017 2:43 PM, Travis, Sharon wrote:

Hello Dr. Powell

This is the Land and Chemicals Division assigned to your foia request. Because of the voluminous amount of records, we are requesting you increase your fee commitment of \$25 to \$4,000 for search and review time for 13 people. Please note, this is an active enforcement case in which the majority of all records are enforcement sensitive or deliberative and would be withheld. If you are interested, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources has technical documents on their website.

If you approve the amount above we are requesting an extension to April 28, 2017. Please contact me via email by 3-22-17 or we will consider your request cancel.